STABBING / GUNSHOT VICTIM

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When did this happen?
If recent, is assailant still nearby?
Is there a weapon present?
Is patient alert?
Is patient breathing normally?
Is there more than one person injured?
Is there more than one wound?
What part(s) of the body is injured?
Is there serious bleeding?

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SIMULTANEOUS ALS/BLS		BLS DISPATCH
I s p a	Unconscious/not breathing normally. Decreased level of consciousness. Uncontrolled Bleeding Leg injury above the knee. Wounds to head or trunk of body. Multiple Casualty Incident Criteria.	Wounds to the arms or on the leg below the knee.

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Pre-Arrival Instructions

Tell caller to remain safe (beware of assailant).

Do not disturb the scene or move weapons.

Do not pull out any penetrating weapons.

If bleeding, use clean cloth and apply pressure directly over wound. Do not remove.

If cloth becomes soaked, add more to what is already there.

Have the patient lie down and remain calm.

Keep the patient warm.

If the patient's condition changes, call me back.

Prompts

Short Report

If unconscious, go to UNCONSCIOUS/BREATHING NORMALLY AIRWAY CONTROL If unconscious, NOT breathing normally, go to CPR for appropriate age group. Has law enforcement been notified?

Advise responders when scene is secure.



Age

Sex

Specific location

Chief complaint

Pertinent related symptoms Medical/Surgical history, if any

Other agencies responding

Any dangers to responding units